

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: )  
HISASHI ISHIKAWA ET AL. ) : Examiner: Stephen R. Koziol  
Appln. No.: 10/809,526 ) : Group Art Unit: 2624  
Filed: March 26, 2004 ) : Confirmation No. 7527  
For: IMAGE PROCESSING ) :  
METHOD : February 27, 2008

The Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 27, 2007, please amend  
the above-identified application as follows.